

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 2, 1996

SUBJECT: **HB 1969 - SB 2011**

This bill, if enacted, will reimburse an injured employee receiving workers' compensation benefits for mileage expenses and other travel costs incurred traveling to and from a health care provider. The mileage allowance is the same as published in the Travel Reimbursement Rate Schedule of the Comprehensive Travel Regulations.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to result in an increase in state and local government* expenditures for compensation of additional travel expenses. The increase in expenditures cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000 to the state and exceed \$100,000 to local governments. This estimate assumes reimbursement of traveling expenses to all medical providers, regardless of whether this necessitates travel outside the employee's community. Currently, certain travel costs are reimbursed only if the employer requires the employee to seek medical treatment *outside* the employee's community.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*